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DEPT. FOR NEA/EX

ATHENS FOR ATO; KARACHI FOR RCO; KUWAIT FOR RSO

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT : COMMUNICATIONS SURVEY MANAMA

REF : (A) STATE 168859 AND (B) KARACHI A-15, APRIL 2, 1976

1. EMBASSY CONCURS WITH PROPOSAL TO UTILIZE CHANCERY SPACE FOR TEMPORARY REPEAT TEMPORARY CCC. WE MUST, OF COURSE, SEE PLANS WHICH REFLECT "MINOR MODIFICATIONS" IN TEAM'S RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTAINED REF B).

2. WE STILL HAVE CONCERN THAT WE SHOULD HAVE A "PROPER CCC" IN MANAMA. WHILE IT IS A TECHNICAL JUDGMENT WHICH MUST BE MADE, WE CERTAINLY DON'T WANT THE TEMPORARY CCC TO BE "IMPROPER" IN ANY SERIOUS SENSE.

3. AS WE NOTED IN MANAMA 544, WE FEEL, FINALLY, THAT THE CHANCERY IS ADEQUATE FOR OUR CURRENT AND CURRENTLY PROJECTED NEEDS. WE HAVE THE SPACE TO BUILD AN ANNEX FOR THE CCC BUT THE DEPARTMENT FEELS THAT CONSTRUCTION OF AN ANNEX FOR A SHORT TERM LEASE IS NEITHER PRACTICAL NOR FINANCIALLY FEASIBLE (REF A). ACCORDINGLY EMBASSY WOULD LIKE AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN NEGOTIATIONS WITH LANDLORD FOR EXTENSION OF PRESENT LEASE FOR AN ADDITIONAL LENGTHY, SAY TWENTY-FIVE
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